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RESPONSE

Applicant(s): Borrelli et al.
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DENSIFICATION IN SILICA
GLASS

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Sir:

This is in response to Paper No. 12 mailed November 6, 2002.

Applicants elect the species as follows:

Species A, Species D, Species E, Species H and Species M.

Species A claims 16, 17, 18, 19, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35,
36, 37, 38 and 39.

Species D claims 16, 17, 18, 19, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 36,

37, 38 and 39.

Species E claims 16, 17, 18, 19, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35,

36, 38 and 39.

Species H claims 16, 17, 18, 19, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35,

36, 37, 38 and 39.

Species M claims 16, 17, 18, 19, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 36,

37, 38 and 39.

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